

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the remarks contained herein.

STATUS OF CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR AMENDMENTS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-4 and 22-25 will be pending in this application. Claims 5-21 have been cancelled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of their subject matter.

RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicant expresses appreciation to Examiner Dickerson for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during the personal interview held on December 7, 2010. As discussed at the interview and suggested by the Examiner, the claims have been amended to clarify the nature of the image data, to clarify that the discrimination portion discriminates between plural prints and a single print of the image data, and to clarify that, in the second mode, the image data for the first print is transferred to the print portion without compression or expansion.

Applicant has also added claims 23-25 to an image forming apparatus containing the data processing apparatus of claims 2, 3, and 4, respectively.

CONCLUSION

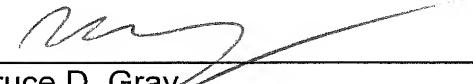
Applicants submit that this application is in condition for immediate allowance, and an early notification to that effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions about this application, or believes that any issues remain to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to arrange for a personal or telephonic interview to resolve these issues prior to the issuance of another Office action.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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